

**PRESS RELEASE****DepEd-Caraga holds 2<sup>nd</sup> Education Leaders Assembly**

*SURIGAO CITY, March 27, 2019* – To discuss ways to further improve the delivery of quality basic education in the region, around 600 education leaders convened for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Caraga Education Leaders Assembly (CELA) on March 19 at the Surigao del Norte Provincial Gymnasium.

In her keynote speech, Department of Education (DepEd) Secretary Leonor Magtolis Briones highlighted the agency's efforts in ensuring the realization of its programs and projects, which are all geared toward the betterment of the educational system in the country.

The Education chief further called on the education leaders: "I hope that we will all be challenged to continually do what we can to bring and create innovative and daring methods of teaching so that we can bring education to all our learners."

She likewise acknowledged the contributions and the honor brought to the Department by teachers and educators who were recognized in various awards, both locally and internationally.

"Most of our teachers have already been creating, innovating, and thinking of ways of reaching out to all Filipinos learners who need to have the basics of education. Some of them were even recognized in various awards in and outside the country," the Secretary stated.

To conclude the gathering, Briones was donned the tribal attire of the Mamanwa, indigenous peoples in Surigao del Norte and other parts of Caraga.

Also present at the event were DepEd-Caraga OIC-Regional Director Francis Cesar Bringas and other officials and personnel from the region.

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